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WM. G. STAMM

Democratic candidate for
RAILWAY COMMISSIONER
Primary, April 19, 1912

Reached Nebraska in 1887, first located at Minden, later at Gresham, a resident of Lincoln for 22 years. Has been in business during this time, now conducting both wholesale and retail in toys and notions.

Possesses practical knowledge as a shipper, not affiliated or controlled by any special interest, educated in both English and German.

Asks for your support at the April 19th primary.
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REQUEST FROM EDITOR

Heart to Heart Talk with Advertisers and Readers who Help Gather News for Publication.

GET IN A LITTLE EARLIER

Many friends of The Herald render valuable assistance in securing news. As the days and weeks go by the friends of The Herald become more and more helpful in securing news for publication and we are pleased to note that the columns of the paper show the effect of it. It is needless to say that we appreciate this help.

A comparison of The Herald now with the issues of a few years ago or even a few months ago will show an increase in the amount of local news, including country correspondence and railroad items, that may be surprising to many. It is our intention to continue improving The Herald from a news standpoint as far as possible and we invite the continued co-operation of those who have been assisting us in securing news and also similar help from others, so far as it can conveniently be rendered.

We find it necessary to again remind our readers that it will be a great help to us if we can have copy for news and advertisements as early in the week as it is possible to furnish the same. We prefer to print the paper before noon on Thursday of each week, but during the last few weeks so much matter for publication has come to the office on Wednesday afternoons and Thursday forenoons that it was impossible to print before Thursday afternoon, and left out very much that we wished to publish.

Some interesting items were omitted last week and also a quarter page advertisement because the order for it was received on Thursday too late to be inserted. We regretted this very much because the customer who wished it printed was disappointed and because we could not well afford to lose the income that would have been derived from its publication.

We hope our readers will not become tired of our oft repeated request to get in copy for news and advertisements each week as much in advance of Thursday as possible.

Ora Phillips of Marsland was looking after business interests in Alliance the first of the week.

Mrs. and Mrs. Charles Bell of Bingham were a part of the many Sheridan county people visiting this city during the last week.

F. E. Reddish returned the first of the week from his southern trip, mentioned in The Herald a few weeks since. He had a pleasant journey but made it somewhat shorter than he had planned.

CAMPBELL'S ADDRESS

Famous Dry Farming Expert Makes Interesting Talk on Scientific Agriculture in Alliance

AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

For several years past this paper has advocated the application of scientific methods to farming and has claimed that agricultural development may be secured under proper methods to an extent never dreamed of by people generally who know the semi-arid conditions that prevail here. For nearly twenty-seven years the writer has resided in western Nebraska, with the exception of six years spent in the eastern part of the state, and our observation lead us to believe some years ago that a system of farming could be instituted that would successfully grow useful and valuable crops the driest years that come to this country. Many other persons have observed the same conditions and have arrived at the same conclusions. Because of being a pioneer in promulgating and giving publicity to the theories upon which dry farming, as it is called, may be successfully carried on, Prof. H. W. Campbell has become more noted as an advocate of this system than any other man.

The successful growing of crops without irrigation in semi-arid regions is commonly spoken of as "dry farming," but we never liked the term. While many crops may be grown with a small amount of moisture if properly conserved, only a few inches being necessary, there is no such thing as plants growing without moisture. Successful farming in a dry country depends upon conserving the moisture that is secured from the limited rainfall and does not consist, as some have seemed to think, in making plants grow in dry ground. As Prof. Campbell forcefully says, "You cannot conserve moisture until you have moisture to conserve."

As announced in The Herald last week, on Saturday afternoon Prof. Campbell gave a talk on scientific farming to a crowd of about a hundred twenty-five farmers and other progressive citizens who gathered at the court house to hear what he had to say on improved methods of farming. In the beginning of his address he gave a brief history of how he came to be engaged in this work, stating that experience and observation had taught him the lessons he now is teaching to others. The professor urged farmers to work only what ground can be properly attended to.

He says there is no depletion of the soil of the western country and that the value of the rain we have can be doubled and tripled by proper cultivation, to control the air and water. On both these points other eminent scientific agriculturists differ with him, but on the principal points in regard to conserving moisture they agree.

Summer tilling as distinguished from summer fallowing is strongly advocated, thereby retaining in the ground the moisture that is taken from it by letting the ground grow up to weeds then turning them under. He gave instances where parts of fields had been plowed immediately after harvest and another part after it had grown up to weeds, both cultivated in the same way, wherein the crop difference was more than half.

He urges in the growing of crops in this country that a crust be not allowed to form over the surface, but that as soon as possible after a rain to stir the soil to a depth of two and a half or three inches, thus keeping a loose mulch of dirt on top which prevents the water evaporating from the ground, the higher the altitude the deeper the mulch required. For the seed bed he advises a fine, firm one, prepared by following the plow with the sub-surface packer and then the Acme harrow.

The object of Mr. Campbell's visits to the western towns is to explain the Campbell system of dry farming and to secure the promise of ten men to farm ten acres of ground each by this system for two years. Mr. Campbell to visit the communities as often as necessary to keep in touch with the work and give instructions as needed. Several farmers were willing and glad to undertake this plan and promised to farm ACCORDING TO ORDERS.

One of the best definitions of an optimist that we have heard is the one given us by Hon. John B. Strassburger when in Alliance recently. It is a quotation from his long time friend, ex-Senator Mason of Illinois, and is as follows: "An optimist is a fellow that can make lemonade at night out of the lemons that are handed him during the day."

WAY THE WIND BLOWS

Straw Votes Galore Gratify the Cautious Minded and Show Trend of Public Sentiment

HERALD'S STRAW VOTE BEGINS

Perhaps never before in the history of American politics were as many straw votes taken this early in the campaign by the newspapers of the land as have already been taken for the next presidential nominations. There is a reason, or there are reasons.

One of the principal reasons, we think, is because it has come to be generally recognized that each of the two great political parties has in its ranks two distinct elements, a progressive and a reactionary; one element working for the rights and interests of the common people, and the other playing into the hands of those who would perpetuate the rule of those who grant a favored few special privileges by which they prosper to the detriment of the large majority of the people. The contest between these two opposite elements in each of the great political parties is as pronounced, and the lines of conflict as clearly drawn as between the two parties themselves, and it ought to be.

The beneficiaries of the trust system care little or nothing for party name, and those who are the victims of that system ought to be as independent of party subservency as the other class. People who read the independent newspapers during the time that Jay Gould, the railroad magnate, piled up his millions by fleecing others are familiar with his statement made public some years ago, that when he was in a republican state he was a republican and when in a democratic state a democrat.

One object of the straw votes being taken is to concentrate on one candidate the votes of the progressive elements in the two parties, especially in the democratic party on candidate for president.

In taking a straw vote The Herald has decided upon a plan different somewhat from those being conducted by other newspapers. We notice in some of the votes already taken that men who are not and probably will not be candidates at any time during the campaign receive the ballots of some of the voters. By casting their ballots for such candidates only they have not expressed a choice between those who are active candidates. We have provided for this emergency to give our readers an opportunity to vote twice as indicated below.

First, we wish our readers to vote for the man whom they would rather see made president of the United States for the next ensuing four years, whether he is a candidate or not, and without regard to party name. For instance, the editor of this paper would prefer to see William Jennings Bryan made president than any other living man, but in voting for preference for the democratic nomination we would not write in his name as we do not consider him a candidate for the nomination.

Readers of The Herald are requested to fill out the following immediately and mail to The Alliance Herald, Alliance, Nebraska. Those who wish to vote but have not a copy of the paper to clip out the following blank may write their choice, as indicated below, on a blank piece of paper, giving name and address of voter. The names of persons voting will not be published.

Name of Person Voting	.....
Address	.....
Political Affiliation	.....
First Choice for President	.....
Choice for president, whether a candidate or not:	.....
For Democratic Nomination	.....
First Choice	.....
Second Choice	.....
For Republican Nomination	.....
First Choice	.....
Second Choice	.....

A. T. Lunn left Monday for Omaha to attend the meeting of the Nebraska Credit Men's Association which was held in that city. He spent several days at the metropolis.

NOW
at the
Pattern Counter
20¢
Inclusive of a 15-cent Pattern

SEE OUR WINDOWS

Absolutely New SPRING STYLES

from the East. Latest and Best

They are WOOLTEX, so they are right. A two-year guarantee with every Suit or Coat

Corsets

New Spring Models in Nemo Self-Adjusting and Warner's Rust Proof Corsets

at
\$1.00 and up

9c Choice of any piece Popular Music, Sat. Only 9c

<p>French Gray Enamelware</p> <p>Cheapest in Town</p> <p>5c</p> <p>Pudding Pans.....5c Pie Tins.....5c Mixing Bowls.....5c Large Spoons.....5c Cups.....5c Soap Dishes.....5c Scalloped cake tins.5c</p>	<p>Basement</p> <p>12 1/2c and 15c Fancy Dress Gingham and Shirtings, Saturday only,</p> <p>7 1/2c yd.</p>	<p>1st FLOOR</p> <p>We can show you the largest assortment in New Spring styles in nifty Shoes, Oxfords and Pumps. Our shoes are for style, wear and comfort</p> <p>Ladies' Shoes, \$1.75 and up</p> <p>Children's Shoes, 65c and up</p>
<p>BASEMENT</p> <p>Embroidery</p> <p>Wide Embroidery and Insertions to match, 15c and up to 25c values, Special</p> <p>1 Lot at .....10c yd. 1 Lot at .....7c yd.</p>	<p>Remnants</p> <p>We have on sale at all times in our basement a large assortment of all kinds of goods, wool and wash fabrics, at astonishingly low prices</p>	<p>1st FLOOR</p> <p>Large assortment of the much-favored Voiles, Crepons, Tissues, etc., for Spring wear</p> <p>On Sale Saturday</p>
<p>Stockings</p> <p>Men's fancy and blk. fast color hose, 15c val., 10c</p> <p>15c Ladies' fast blk., all sizes.....10c</p> <p>15c Children's heavy-ribbed fast blk. stockings at 10c</p>	<p>China</p> <p>Coffee Cups and Saucers with neat gold design at.....5c each</p> <p>Plates, soup plates, pie plates and prices to match at 10c-15c</p> <p>Many other exceptional values in Dinner ware and fancy China</p> <p>The famous Star Cut Glasses, 10c</p> <p>Star Cut Glass Pitchers to match, \$1</p>	<p>BASEMENT</p> <p>For the 10c Toilet..</p> <p>Peroxide.....10c Scented Talcum.....10c Perfumed Soap.....5c-10c Peroxide Cream.....10c Tooth Brushes.....10c Nail Brushes.....5c-10c Large Wash Rags.....5c</p>

The Horace Bogue Store

First Door West of Post Office

WINS CHAMPIONSHIP

Alliance High School Basket Ball Team Defeats Scottsbluff in Fast Game

OPPONENTS PLAY SWIFT BALL

The High School basket ball team clinched their claim to the championship of western Nebraska last Friday night by defeating Scottsbluff in the last game of the series.

The game was played at Scottsbluff and was as spectacular an exhibition of clean, fast basket ball as was ever witnessed. The Alliance boys were determined to win, as the victory would positively settle any dispute as to the championship. Our boys started off with excellent team work and scored the first basket. They were unable to keep the lead long, however, as the fast work of the Bluff boys soon tied the score. Again Alliance scored and was again tied. Scottsbluff then took the lead, but only to hold it for a short time, as Nolan, Darnell and Keegan each scored baskets in rapid succession. The first half ended 15 to 12 in favor of Alliance.

In the second half the Bluff boys came back strong. Their team work was excellent and by rapid, accurate passing and good basket shooting they succeeded in securing the lead. Five minutes before time was called the score stood 18 to 19 in favor of Scottsbluff. At this time Keegan, who had been playing his usual game at guard, was forced to retire with a lame arm and was replaced by Spacht. The scoring from this time was rapid but Alliance had a little the better of it. Bluffs scored three baskets, while Darnell, Nolan and Spacht each scored for Alliance. Nolan scored on a foul and also threw one of the prettiest field baskets of the season. Spacht, although playing guard and in the game but a short time, got away from his man for two excellent baskets, thus giving Alliance the lead, which could not be overcome in the minute of play left. Score: Alliance 27, Scottsbluff 25.

The following is the season's record. You will notice that the local boys have only been defeated by two High school teams this season, and that was on the trip:

Nov. 30—Alliance 53, Alumni 20, at Alliance.

Dec. 28—Alliance 27, Wahoo 50, at Wahoo.

Dec. 29—Alliance 20, Syracuse K. O. K. A. 23, at Syracuse.

Dec. 30—Alliance 21, Auburn 37, at Auburn.

Jan. 1—Alliance 50, Fairbury 30, at Fairbury.

Jan. 3—Alliance 16, Peru Normal 33, at Peru.

Jan. 5—Alliance 53, Broken Bow 19, at Broken Bow.

Jan. 13—Alliance 37, Sidney 16, at Alliance.

Jan. 19—Alliance 33, Scottsbluff 22, at Alliance.

Jan. 26—Alliance 40, Broken Bow 12, at Alliance.

Feb. 3—Alliance 24, Sidney 22, at Sidney. Game called off.

Feb. 16—Alliance 27, Scottsbluff 25, at Scottsbluff.

DEATH OF OLIVER COUNTRYMAN

Young Man Succumbs to Dread Disease, Tuberculosis

For some time past Oliver G. Countryman has lingered on the borderland between life and death at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Countryman, in this city. It has been known for some weeks that he could not recover. Everything that kind and loving hearts and hands could do for him was done to relieve him from suffering and prolong his stay on earth among his friends, but all could not avail to baffle the relentless white plague which had fastened its fangs upon him.

At 7 o'clock Tuesday morning, February 20, he passed away, at the age of 20 years and 15 days. He was a dutiful son, industrious and considerate of the happiness of those about him. He will be greatly missed by his many friends as well as members of his family.

The funeral will be held at Holy Rosary Catholic church at 9 o'clock tomorrow (Friday) morning. The remains will be taken to Chadron for interment, which will take place on Saturday morning. The body will be taken from here on 43 tomorrow, accompanied by relatives and friends, going by way of Crawford. He was a member of the M. W. A. The Alliance lodge will attend the funeral here in a body and at Whitney the train will be met by members of the lodge at that place and accompanied to Chadron.

To the bereaved parents, brothers and sisters The Herald extends heartfelt sympathy.

TEACHERS AND PATRONS

Notice of North Platte Valley Teachers Association.

The North Platte Valley Teacher's Association will be held at Bridgeport, Nebraska, April 4, 5 and 6, 1912. No trouble is being spared to make this the best meeting ever held in western Nebraska. Among the speakers to be present are Chancellor Fulmer of the Nebraska Wesleyan University with his great fund of valuable experience; Dr. Condra of the University of Nebraska who will give his noted lecture on Conservation; E. L. Rouse, Dean of the Peru State Normal and President of the State Teacher's Association; Richard Metcalfe, author, editor, publisher and politician, who will present "The Twentieth Century Ideal"; Miss Cooley of Peru will have charge of the music during the entire session. A representative of the Palmer Method in Penmanship will give practical illustrations of that method of teaching the subject. This work alone will pay every teacher for the trip.

The topic is "Conservation". We invite everybody. We need patrons. We want county superintendents. We must have teachers. **PLAN NOW TO COME.** COMMITTEE.

RETURNS FROM EASTERN TRIP

C. A. Newberry returned last Friday from an extended trip through the east, having visited Chicago and other manufacturing centers. Mr. Newberry has built up a large retail business at Alliance and has also quite an extensive jobbing trade with smaller towns in the territory surrounding this city. He believes in keeping in thorough touch with every important feature of his trade, hence his visit to the manufacturing centers where he spent some time. On his return he stopped in Lincoln to attend the annual meeting of the Nebraska Retail Dealers' Hardware Association.

Do You Want Cheese?

We have Swiss, Limburger, New York Un-colored Cream, McClaren's Imperial and Roquefort, Parmesan Pimento Cheese and Hanover Brick Cheese, at Alliance Grocery Co.